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SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL ACTION ON TURKISH DEFENSE COOPERATION AGREEMENT (DCA)

1. THE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE HAS SCHEDULED TENTATIVELY A HEARING ON THE TURKISH DCA FOR SEPTEMBER 15. SEVERAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS HAVE QUESTIONED THE ADVISABILITY OF GOING THROUGH WITH THE HEARING IN THE ABSENCE OF A GREEK AGREEMENT. THE DEPARTMENT IS CONTINUING TO URGE THE COMMITTEE TO HOLD A HEARING ON THAT DATE OR SOME OTHER EARLY DATE AND IS RELATIVELY HOPEFUL OF SUCCESS. IN THE HOUSE, THE INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE IS ALSO CONTEMPLATING HEARINGS BUT HAS KEPT ITS INTENTION QUIET FOR FEAR OF AROUSING THE GREEK LOBBY, WHICH IS VERY ACTIVE IN ITS EFFORTS TO PREVENT HEARINGS

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ON THE TURKISH DCA.

2. TURKISH AMBASSADOR ESENBEL HAS BEEN KEPT FULLY APPRISED
OF THESE DEVELOPMENTS. ROBINSON

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